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For: INFORMATION TERMINAL CAPABLE OF ORIGINATING A CALL, METHOD OF ORIGINATING A CALL AND RECORDING MEDIUM WHICH STORES THE PROGRAM FOR ORIGINATING A CALL

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 9-55815, published February 25, 1997.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 2-101852, published April 13, 1990.
3. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 62-164350, published July 21, 1987.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (1) no later than three months from the application's filing date or (2) before the mailing date of the first Office Action

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on the merits (whichever is later), and therefore no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a corresponding Japanese Office Action dated July 11, 2000 with an English translation of the pertinent portions thereof which cites such documents and indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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1) Based on the inventions described in the following publications which have circulated in Japan and foreign countries prior to the date of the application, the inventions related to the below indicated Claims of this application could have readily been invented by anyone with common knowledge of the technical field of these inventions prior to the date of the application. Therefore, according to the stipulations of Article 29, Item 2 of the Patent Law, a patent cannot be obtained.

Note: (Concerning Cited Literature, etc. refer to the List of Cited Literature, etc.)

Concerning Claims 1, 6, 9, 10, 11, 14, and 18:

These would be easy (to conceive of) from Cited Literature 1.

In Cited Literature 1, a means is described whereby it is possible to display a number of screens (computer images) for processing using the "multi-window" function. Any one of these windows can be put into the active state and the processing related to that window is done by telephone terminal equipment. In the screen, there is a circuit display screen for instructions as to selecting, in regard to the circuit, an outbound telephone call, inbound (responding) phone, a call on hold, call answering a call on hold, or an interrupting call. (Numbers for) one-touch dialing can also be registered, and names and telephone numbers can be put in memory. The user, by touching the screen, can access the content of the circuit key.

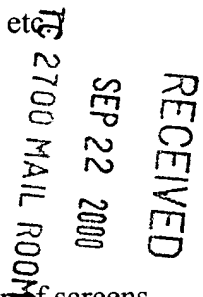
Also refer to Cited Literature 2 and 3.

Concerning Claim 2:

The point of separately creating window for controlling telephone transmissions and a window for selecting alphanumeric text information could be done readily by a person skilled in the art.

Concerning Claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 15, 16, and 17:

Technically they would be easy for a person in this field.



List of Cited Literature, etc.

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. H09-055815
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. H02-101852
3. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. S62-164350

Concerning the inventions of the Claims other than those Claims mentioned in this Notice of Reasons for Rejection, we have not found reasons to reject them at this time. In case new reasons for rejection are found, you will be notified of the reasons for rejection.